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CHAPTER 7: BLACK KNIGHT

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HAIYA!

LET'S GO, MAHNYA!

WAH!

W-WHAT'S WRONG, MAHNYA?

OH, YES.

WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT...

UNTIL THIS WAR IS OVER...

BEFORE WE CAN GO BACK WITH FATHER.

NOW...

WE AREN'T GOING BACK.

NO, MAHNYA.

EACH OF US HAS DIFFERENT THINGS TO DO.

IT'S WAR.

MEANWHILE, I'LL SHOW FATHER WHAT I'M MADE OF!

WE'RE GOING, MAHNYA!

PRESENT SITUATION
FEE AND HER UNIT WILL GO FIRST. ONCE THEY GIVE THE SIGNAL...
ALSTER CASTLE
TO CASTLE
TO RENDEZVOUS POINT
UNIT #1 FEE
RENDEZVOUS POINT
TO CASTLE
UNIT #3 LEAF
UNIT #2 CELICE
WE, THE DECOY UNITS, WILL START ADVANCING SIMULTANEOUSLY.

IS SOMETHING WRONG, SIR LEVIN?
WHERE'S CELICE?
NO.

SINCE HE CHOSE A PLAN OF DIVIDING OUR FORCES INTO THREE,
HE'S GIVING INSTRUCTIONS TO EACH UNIT.

WHILE WE DRAW THE ENEMY...

LORD SHANAN~!

HOW COULD YOU~!

TRYING TO LEAVE ME BEHIND LIKE THIS~

HUH...

PATTY, THAT ISN'T YOUR UNIT.

WHAT?!

THAT'S RIGHT.

YOU'RE IN *OUR* DECOY UNIT!

THEN, WITH LORD LEAF!

RIGHT, NANNA?

LORD LEAF IS IN THE SAME UNIT AS LORD SHANAN!

I'M IN THIS GROUP TOO-

WHILE OUR UNIT DRAWS THE ENEMY'S ATTENTION, LEAF AND SHANAN'S...

WILL SNEAK INTO THE CASTLE AND SEIZE IT.

I'M SORRY, BUT YOU'RE A GIRL AND THAT'D BE TOO MUCH FOR YOU.

THEN...

AH!

IN THAT CASE, WE'RE IN THE SAME UNIT... RIGHT, LORD CELICE-?

WAH!

STARE

LESTER!

OUCH!

YOU!

YOU'RE IN THE SAME UNIT AS ME, SO MAKE SURE YOU PROTECT ME PROPERLY!

WHA?

HMPH!

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OOOOOOOOOOOO

THEN, THIS IS A TEMPORARY FAREWELL.

YEAH.

AT LEAST UNTIL WE DEFEAT KING BLUME!

DON'T GET YOURSELF KILLED!

LEAF, GUYS.

TAKE CARE TOO,

ER, HUH...

I WAS JUST WONDERING IF FEE AND THE OTHERS ARE ALRIGHT...

WAIT A MINUTE!

THEN, RIDE...

ALRIGHT!

ECHO

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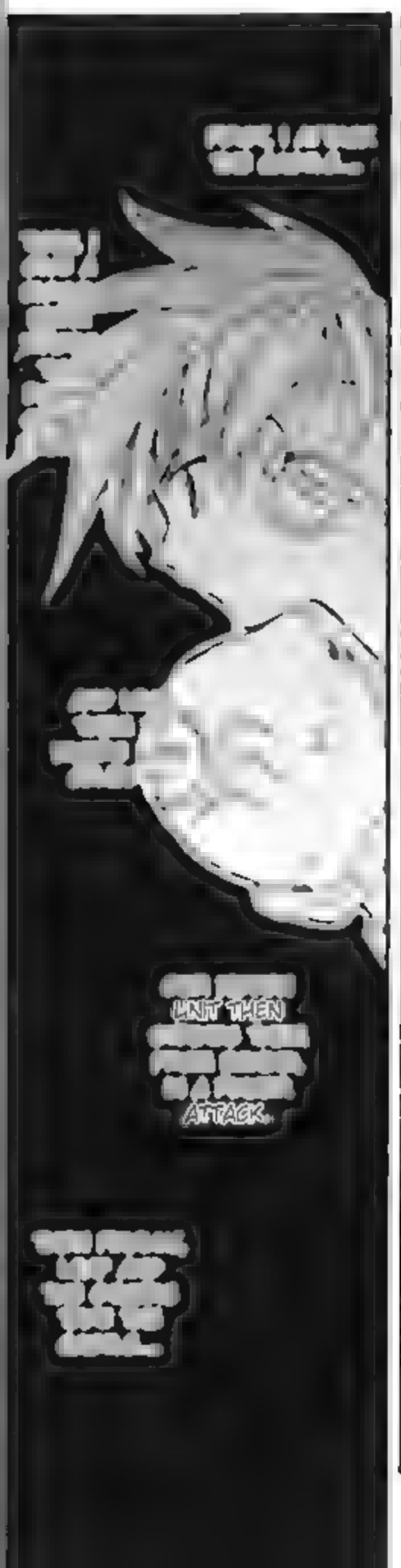
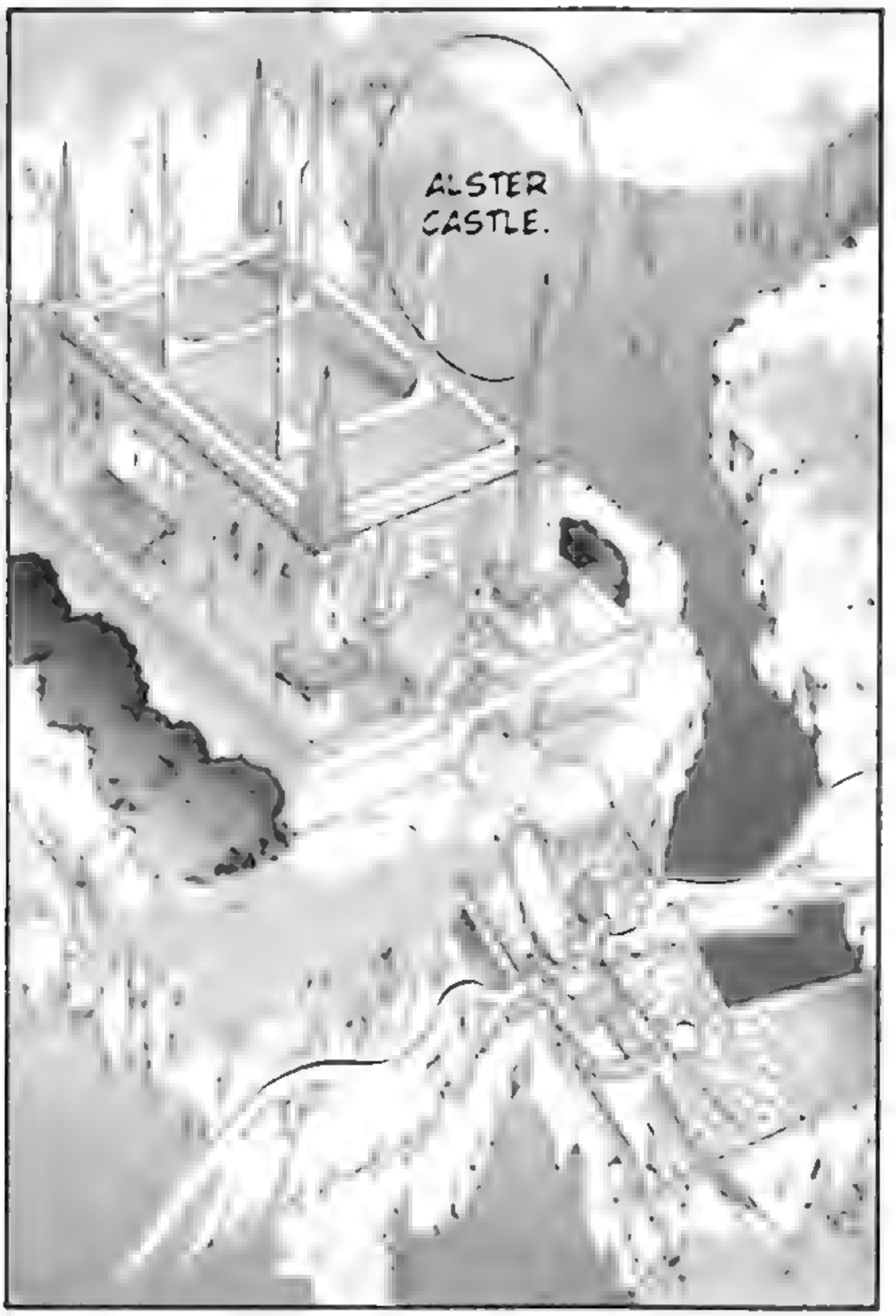
AH!
I...
I SEE!
GREAT!
LURING THE ENEMY, THAT MAN INCLUDED, HAPPENS TO BE OUR TASK.
WON'T SHE BE TARGETED BY THAT MAN WITH THE HOLY BOW OR WHATEVER THAT IS, JUST LIKE BEFORE?
FEE WILL LOOK! BE THE ONLY ONE IN THE SKY, RIGHT?
HOWEVER, BEFORE THAT...
SHE'LL HAVE TO PROVOKE THE ENEMY SO THEY'LL NOTICE OUR PRESENCE.
SEE? SEE? THAT'S THE PROBLEM!
SINCE THE CASTLE IS LOCATED IN A HIGH PLACE,
THAT TASK WON'T BE DONE SMOOTHLY UNLESS THE ONE TAKING CARE OF IT IS ABLE TO MOVE FREELY THROUGH THE SKY.
I TRUST SHE WON'T COMMIT THE SAME MISTAKE AGAIN.


UNIT THEN
ATTACK.


ALSTER
CASTLE.

I HOPE IT'LL GO WELL...
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CLOSE ENOUGH TO ATTACK DIRECTLY S DANGER-

THUNDER SWORD... A MEMENTO OF MY LATE MOTHER.
I WAS TOO LATE TO TAKE THIS AND MY FATHER TO WHERE MOTHER WAS, BUT...

THUNDER...

STRENGTH

EL TRUENO!!

TO MOVE

BETWEEN CLIFFS, LIKE A

TELL FATHER

MUST NO

KUH...

THEY MUSN'T ATTACK CARELESS!

THAT'S NO GOOD! WE'RE GOING TO BE ANNIHILATED!

SHE'S LATE...

LORD CELICE! YOU MUST LEAVE THIS PLACE!

WHOA! OR MAYBE SHE GOT KILL-ED?

CALM DOWN LAKCHE!

MAYBE SHE FORGOT TO SIGNAL?

LORD CELICE!

TCH!

EVERY-ONE

SCATTER!

SASAHE

ASTRA!

KYAA!!

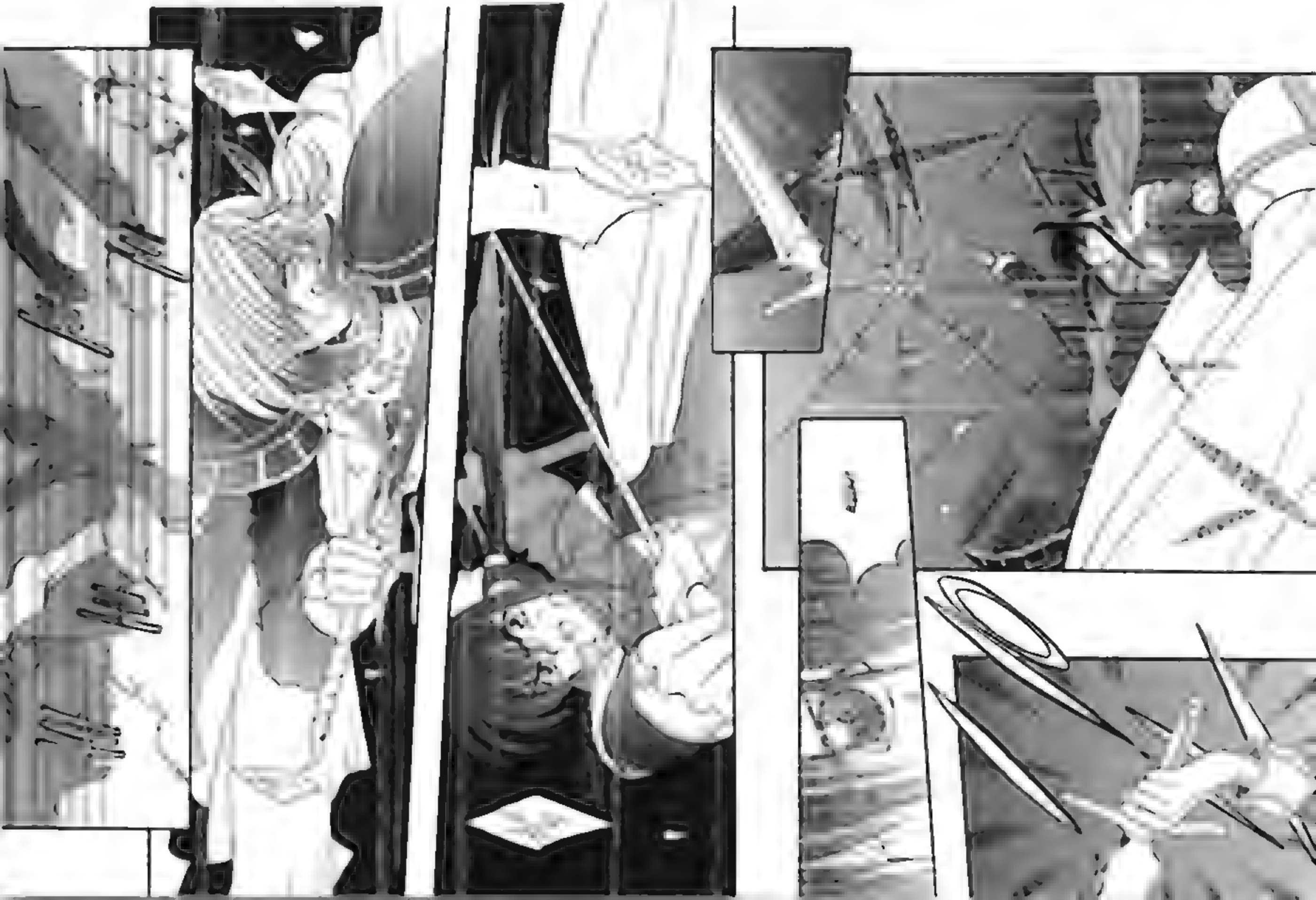
KYAA!

KYAA!

IDIOT! PERVERT! DON'T GET NEAR ME!

GO AWAY!

OY, SHE'S FAST!



I'M GLAD TO MEET YOU, EARL CELICE.

IN THESE TWENTY YEARS I'VE

I'VE NEVER BEEN HAPPIER THAN I HAVE TODAY.

NODION ...

ELTOSHAN OF NODION'S ROYAL FAMILY...

I'M SURE YOU KNOW THAT NAME.

I CAN'T LAND A SINGLE BLOW ON HIM!

BUT...

PANT PANT

WHAT ARE YOU DOING? HE'S ALONE!

WHY ARE YOU HESITATING, CELICE?

WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO WASTE ON A SINGLE ENEMY!

I'VE FINALLY CAUGHT HIM!

HEY! KILL HIM, QUICK!

FATHER!

FATHER!!

NO!

LETTING YOUR PERSONAL

SELFISH INDEPENDENT ACTION IS UNACCEPT-ABLE!

IF YOU CAN'T EVEN REALIZE THAT FATHER-CHILD AFFECTION LEAVES YOU VULNERABLE DURING

ARE Y'OU TELLING ME YOU'RE WILLING TO EXPOSE THE OTHERS TO DANGER BECAUSE OF ME?

YOU FOOL!

THEN WE'RE STRANGERS, FROM THIS DAY ON!

WORLD!

ANYTHING

H-HOW CAN YOU BE SO CALM?!

WHAT'S WRONG?

WEREN'T YOU GOING TO KILL ME?

THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A SECOND "DEATH" TO ME.

DIE!!

NOBODY IS ABLE TO KEEP ME BOUND.

I'M A
TACTI-
Cute

YOU ARE...!

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OH?

YOU KNOW ME?

I DIDN'T DO THAT TO SAVE YOU.

DON'T GET ME WRONG.

A NOISY OUTFIELD GETS IN THE WAY OF A GOOD BATTLE.

IS IT TRUE...

THAT MY FATHER KILLED HIS... DESPITE BEING HIS BEST FRIEND?

WHAT'S WRONG, CELICE?

WHY AREN'T YOU ATTACKING?

HE TOLD ME...

LEVIN ...

WHAT DID YOU SAY?!

MOST OF THE ENEMIES HAVE ALREADY SORTIED!

LET'S-HURRY AHEAD WHILE THE OTHERS KEEP THEM BUSY!

HMMM.

INTER-
ESTING.

SO
THAT'S
THEIR
PLAN.

WELL,

BUT...

WELL,

SINCE I
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MONEY IN
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WHATEVER
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TO THE
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TO ME.

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MISTER
BLUME.

A JOB GIVEN...

IS A JOB DONE.